

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: C.C. Alimpich et al. Examiner:  
Parent Serial No.: 09/052,858 Group Art Unit:  
Parent Filed: March 31, 1998 Docket No.: AM9-97-158US2  
TITLE: DATA PROCESSOR CONTROLLED INTERFACE WITH MULTIPLE TREE  
OF ELEMENTS VIEWS EXPANDABLE INTO INDIVIDUAL DETAIL VIEWS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT SUBMITTED CONCURRENTLY  
WITH CONTINUATION APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted concurrently with a Continuation Application filed in the above Parent Application, U.S. Application Serial No 09/052,858. A Notice of Allowance was entered on March 26, 2000 in the Parent Application. After this Preliminary Amendment, claim 1, from the originally filed Parent Application, is pending in this case.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 4: insert – This application is a continuation of application serial number 09/052,858 filed March 31, 1998 (allowed). –

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-29.

IN THE DRAWINGS

The formal drawings submitted with this application are the same drawings submitted with the issue fee payment in the parent case.

REMARKS

After this Preliminary Amendment, claim 1 is pending in the Continuation Application.

Conclusion

Should any additional fees be required, please charge Deposit Account No. 09-0457.

Any inquiries concerning this Continuation Application should be made to the attorney of record at (310) 553-7977.

Dated: May 24, 2001

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